BRIDGEPORT'S EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPING A CONTAINER FEEDER PORT WITH SHIPPING FACILITY AND SERVICE



Greater Bridgeport Regional Planning Agency
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ISSUES

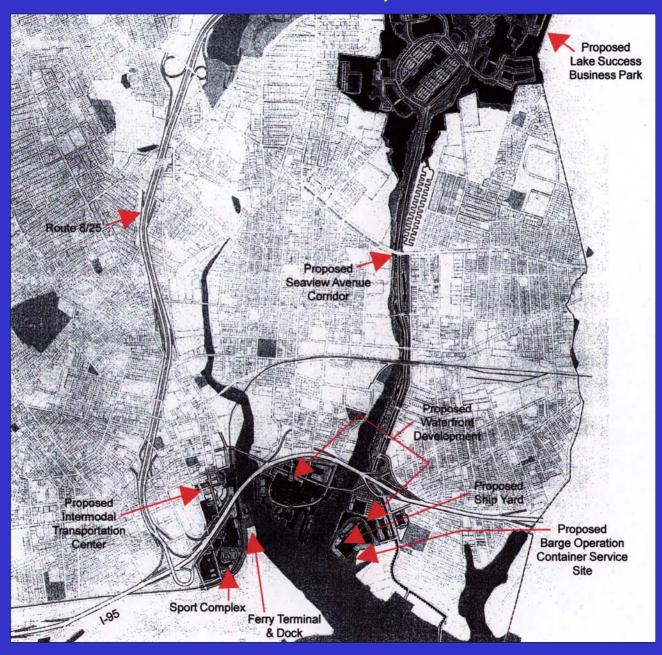
- REGION'S I-95 IS OVER CAPACITY
- FAIRFIELD COUNTY IS AN NON-ATTAINMENT AREA
 - REGION'S RAIL FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION SERVICE IS LIMITED
 - NY/NJ PORTS ARE CONGESTED
 - BRIDGEPORT HARBOR IS UNDERUTILIZED

BACKGROUND

PORT ISLAND DISTRIBUTION NETWORK (PIDN) - PORT AUTHORITY OF NY/NJ



BRIDGEPORT HARBOR, CONNECTICUT



IS BRIDGEPORT THE IDEAL LOCATION?

- PORT CLOSE TO SHIPPING LINES
 - IDEAL ACCESS TO I-95
- AVAILABILITY OF PORT PROPERTIES
- ADEQUATE NEARBY UPLAND AREAS
 - GOOD POTENTIAL OR REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION CENTER
 - MUNICIPAL PORT AUTHORITY

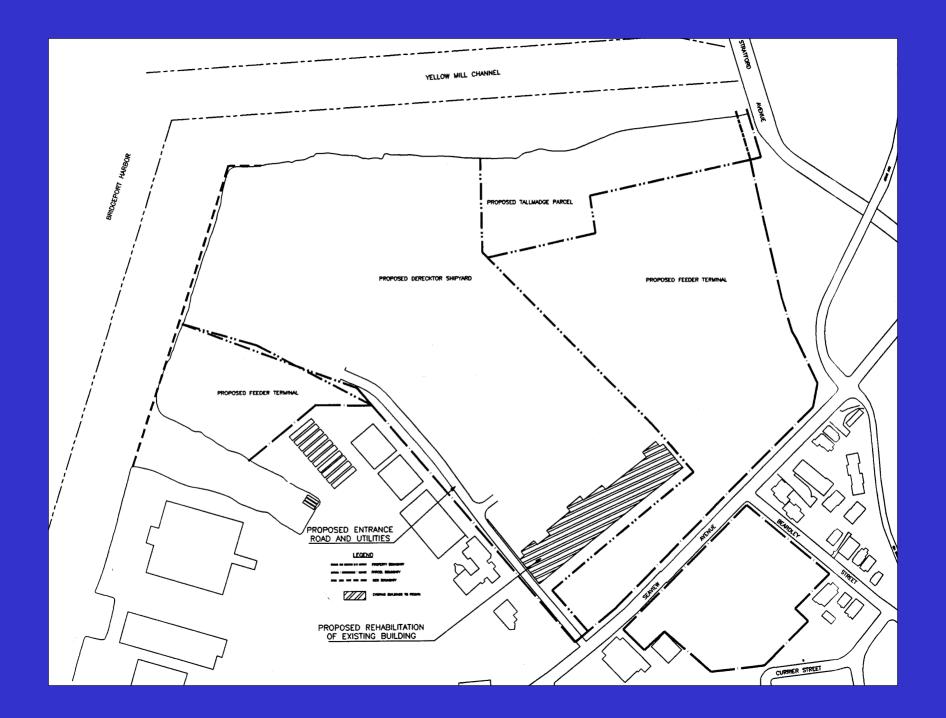
DISTRIBUTION CENTER POTENTIAL / BRIDGEPORT REGIONAL MARTIME CENTER



Proposed site and available "upland"



Proposed site



PROCESS PLANNING PHASE

- FORMULATING PROJECT STUDY GOALS & SCOPES
- RECEIVING LOCAL AND REGION'S ENDORSEMENT
- OBTAINING STUDY FUNDS FOR FEASIBILITY AND MARKET STUDIES
- ESTABLISHING STUDY COMMITTEE AND SUPORT

City of Bridgeport

ConnDOT

Bridgeport Port Authority

Port Authority of NY/NJ

NYMTC

FHWA

Connecticut Trucks Associations

COMPLETING PROJECT STUDY AND PLANS, January, 2001

Feasibility Study

Marketing Analysis

Environmental & Neighborhood Impact

Capital and Operation Coast

RECOMMENDED ROLL-ON/ROLL-OFF SERVICES

- 5-DAY BARGE SERVICE PER WEEK
 - TRUCK RAMPS REQUIREMENTS
- TUG OR BARGE & HANDLING EQUIPMENT
 - 60-90 BOXES PER DAY
 - 150,000 200,000 ANNUAL CONTAINERS
 EACH DAY

COST PER BOX FOR TRANSIT FROM PANY & NJ TO HARTFORD

	RO/RO (1)	TRUCK	LO/LO (1)
TRUCK	\$250	\$550	\$250
ASSESSMENTS & ROYALTIES	\$85	\$235	\$85
TUG AND BARGE	\$343		\$524
TOTAL	\$678	\$785	\$859

⁽¹⁾ Via transfer barge service to Bridgeport

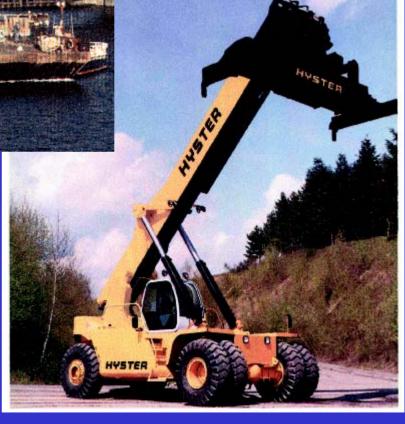
CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

DOCK/STORAGE FACILITY	\$4,013,420
Bulkhead	
Fendering Control of the Control of	
Bollards	
Paving	
Lights	
Fence	
Parking Barrier	
Fuel & Waste Oil Tanks	
Sewer Pipe Ext.	
Dredging	
BUILDINGS (OFFICE & MAINTENANCE)	\$150,000
Office Space, Equipment	
Maintenance Buildings & Tools	
Gruid Shak	
Safety Items	
CONTAINER HANDLING EQUIPMENT	\$1,500,000
Yard Tractors	
Container Handlers	
Container Chassis	
Ramp	
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$5,663,420



Yard tractor called "hostler"

A Ro/Ro barge service



GENERAL CONCLUSIONS

A WATERBORNE CONTAINER FEEDER SERVICE IS ECONOMICALLY AND TECHNICALLY VIABLE

A COASTWISE WATERBORNE TRANSFER SERVICE IS ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

DIVERSION OF TRUCKS FROM I-95 TO A BARGE SERVICE

REDUCTION OF HIGHWAY CONGESTION AND IMPROVE SAFETY

CREATION OF JOBS IN THE REGION

<u>IMPLEMENTATION PHASE</u>

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Local Regulatory Agency

State Law and Requirements

FHWA

FUNDING

State Legislature

FHWA

OPERATING PLAN

Operators

Port Authorities

Facility Improvement

Capital Cost

Operating Cost and Subsidy

Labor/Union

Environmental Impact Documentation

Environmental Permits